

BILL NO. 2006-50

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A REGIONAL SEWER CONNECTION CHARGE AS A MEANS OF FUNDING THE CITY'S SHARE OF AN ALTERNATE CONVEYANCE SYSTEM TO BE BUILT AND OPERATED BY THE REGIONAL CLEAN WATER COALITION, AND TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER RELATED MATTERS.

Proposed by: Mark R. Vincent,
Director of Finance and Business Services

Summary: Establishes a regional sewer connection charge as a means of funding the City's share of an alternate conveyance system to be built and operated by the regional Clean Water Coalition.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS DOES HEREBY ORDAIN
AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: Title 14, Chapter 4, of the Municipal Code of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, 1983 Edition, is hereby amended by adding thereto four new sections, designated respectively as Sections 300 to 330, inclusive, reading as follows:

14.04.300: Pursuant to a joint powers interlocal agreement, the City is a wastewater agency member of the Clean Water Coalition (CWC). The CWC is the constructor and operator of the regional Systems Conveyance and Operations Program (SCOP), which assures a certain water quality level of the Las Vegas Wash and Lake Mead. By means of the interlocal agreement, the CWC has established a schedule of regional sewer connection charges, together with an ERU schedule to be used in connection therewith. The regional sewer connection charges are intended to provide funding for the SCOP Program. Member agencies are authorized to impose and collect the charges in order to meet their obligations to CWC. The ERU schedule and regional sewer connection charges are as set forth in Sections 14.04.310 and 14.04.320, respectively. The regional sewer connection charge applicable to a structure:

(A) Must be paid at the time the building permit for the structure is issued; and
(B) Is in addition to and independent of any other fees or charges set forth in this Chapter.

14.04.310: The number of equivalent residential units from which regional sewer connection charges will be calculated pursuant to Section 14.04.320 shall be determined by the Department of

Building and Safety in accordance with the schedule set forth in this Section below. For purposes of calculation, the customer class and the number and type of fixtures shall be determined from the submitted construction documents. Credit will be given for fixtures removed on an ERU for ERU basis.

Customer Class	Billing Unit	ERUs
Single Family Residence, Trailer Court, Mobile Home/Manufactured Home Park	Per unit or space	1.0
Condominium, Apartment, Townhouse	Per unit	0.7
Senior Apartment Housing	Per unit	0.5
Hotel/Motel	Per room	0.6
Casino, Hotel/Motel (other than rooms)	Per fixture	1.5
Recreational Vehicle Park	Per space	0.7
Recreational Vehicle Park (other than individual spaces)	Per fixture	0.45
Convalescent/Rest Home	Per bed	0.75
Custodial Institution	Per fixture	0.65
Hospital	Per bed	1.2
Restaurant	Per fixture	1.33
Food Sales (without cooking facilities)	Per fixture	0.65
Bar/Tavern (with food)	Per fixture	1.0
Bar/Tavern (without food)	Per fixture	0.65
Community/Special Event Center	Per fixture	0.65
Office/Warehouse	Per fixture	0.45
Medical/Dental/Veterinarian	Per fixture	0.25
Beauty/Barber/Nail/Tanning Shop	Per fixture	0.25
House of Worship	Per fixture	0.5
Motor Vehicle Wash	Per bay	1.0
Motor Vehicle Sales (with vehicle wash)	Per fixture	1.0
Vehicle Maintenance/Repair Shop	Per fixture	0.45
School/Child Care Center	Per student (at maximum capacity)	0.1
Service Station	Per fixture	0.65
Retail Store	Per fixture	0.65
Dry Cleaners	Per fixture	1.0
Dry Cleaner Pick-up Station – Alterations	Per fixture	0.65
Laundry/Laundromat	Per fixture	0.45

Financial Institution	Per fixture	0.45
Pet Grooming	Per fixture	0.65
Private Club	Per fixture	0.65
Theme Park/Sports Complex	Per fixture	0.65
Theater	Per fixture	0.45
Special Events Center – Limited Use	Per fixture	0.45
Market w/ Disposal	Per fixture	1.0
Large Commercial User	N/A	N/A
All other businesses/uses not otherwise identified	Per fixture	0.65

14.04.320: Subject to the provisions of Section 14.04.330, a regional sewer connection charge shall be imposed on development within the City, or and after October 1, 2006, to be determined as follows:

(A) For users other than large commercial users:

- (1) Customer class of user is determined;
- (2) Number of ERUs for user is determined;
- (3) The regional sewer connection charge is calculated by multiplying the

applicable number of ERUs, commencing on:

- (a) October 1, 2006, by eight hundred dollars;
- (b) July 1, 2007, by eight hundred twelve dollars;
- (c) January 1, 2008, by eight hundred twenty-four dollars;
- (d) July 1, 2008, by eight hundred thirty-six dollars; and
- (e) January 1, 2009, by eight hundred forty-nine dollars.

(B) For large commercial users, the regional sewer connection charge is determined by taking 85% of the estimated annual water usage, dividing by 90,000 gallons, and multiplying by the single family residence charge (e.g., \$800 for the initial charge, \$812 as of July 1, 2007, \$824 as of January 1, 2008, \$836 as of July 1, 2008, \$849 as of January 1, 2009).

14.04.330: The City will evaluate its future needs for participation in funding the SCOP program in connection with the annual evaluation described in Section 14.04.220. Regional sewer connection charges imposed pursuant to Section 14.04.320 shall be subject to adjustment to compensate for such

needs in accordance with the evaluation provisions of Section 14.04.220.

SECTION 2: If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase in this ordinance or any part thereof is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid or ineffective by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the remaining portions of this ordinance or any part thereof. The City Council of the City of Las Vegas hereby declares that it would have passed each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional, invalid or ineffective.

SECTION 3: All ordinances or parts of ordinances or sections, subsections, phrases, sentences, clauses or paragraphs contained in the Municipal Code of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, 1983 Edition, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2006.

APPROVED:

By OSCAR B. GOODMAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

BARBARA JO RONEMUS, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Date

1 The above and foregoing ordinance was first proposed and read by title to the City Council on the
2 _____ day of _____, 2006, and referred to the following committee composed of
3 _____ and _____ for recommendation;
4 thereafter the said committee reported favorably on said ordinance on the _____ day of
5 _____, 2006, which was a _____ meeting of said Council; that at said
6 _____ meeting, the proposed ordinance was read by title to the City Council
7 as first introduced and adopted by the following vote:

8 VOTING "AYE": _____

9 VOTING "NAY": _____

10 ABSENT: _____

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12 APPROVED:

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14 By _____
OSCAR B. GOODMAN, Mayor

15 ATTEST:

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17 BARBARA JO RONEMUS, City Clerk

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